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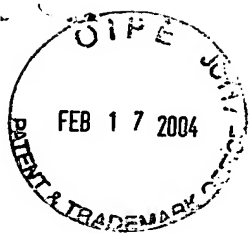
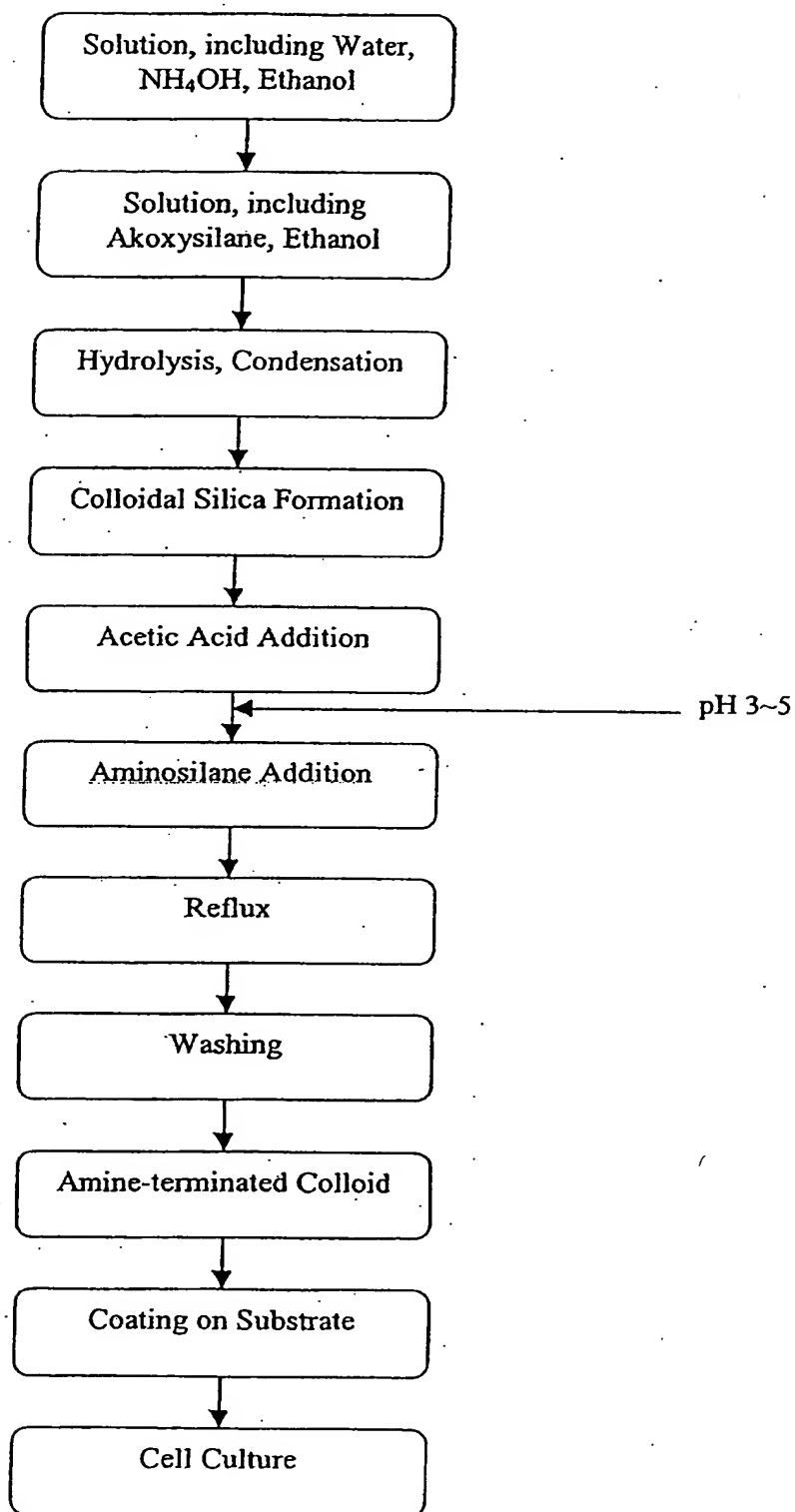
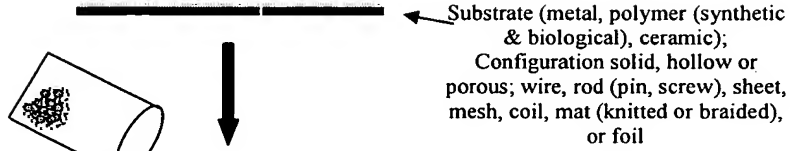


FIG. 1






Step I



Step II

Spin coating, dip coating, atomizing (spraying)

 X = functional group, peptide, protein, oligo, avidin, biotin etc.
Derivatized Particle

Step III

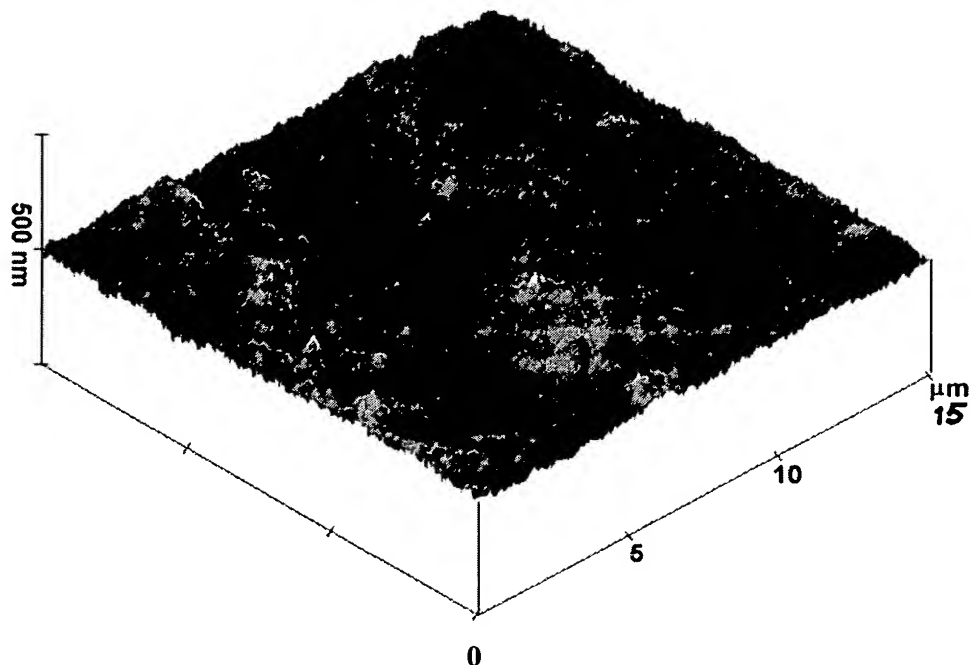


Step IV: Repeat I - III with the same or different particle

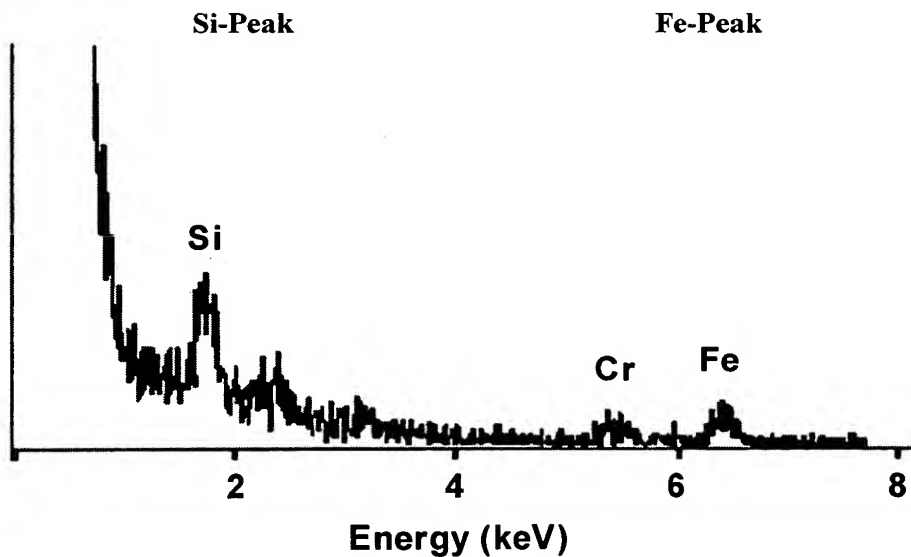


FIG. 3

A



B

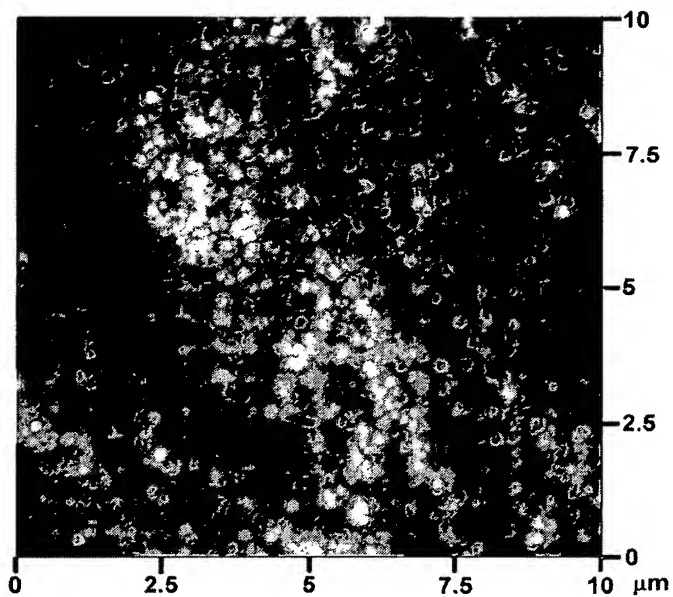


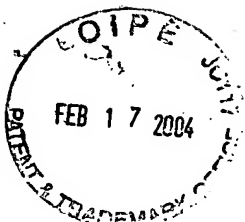
Type 316-L stainless steel surface modified with silica nano particles (A) AFM image showing the presence of stacks of nano particles and (B) EDAX spectrum of the surface confirming the presence of Silica.



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FIG. 4





Stainless Steel

FIG. 5

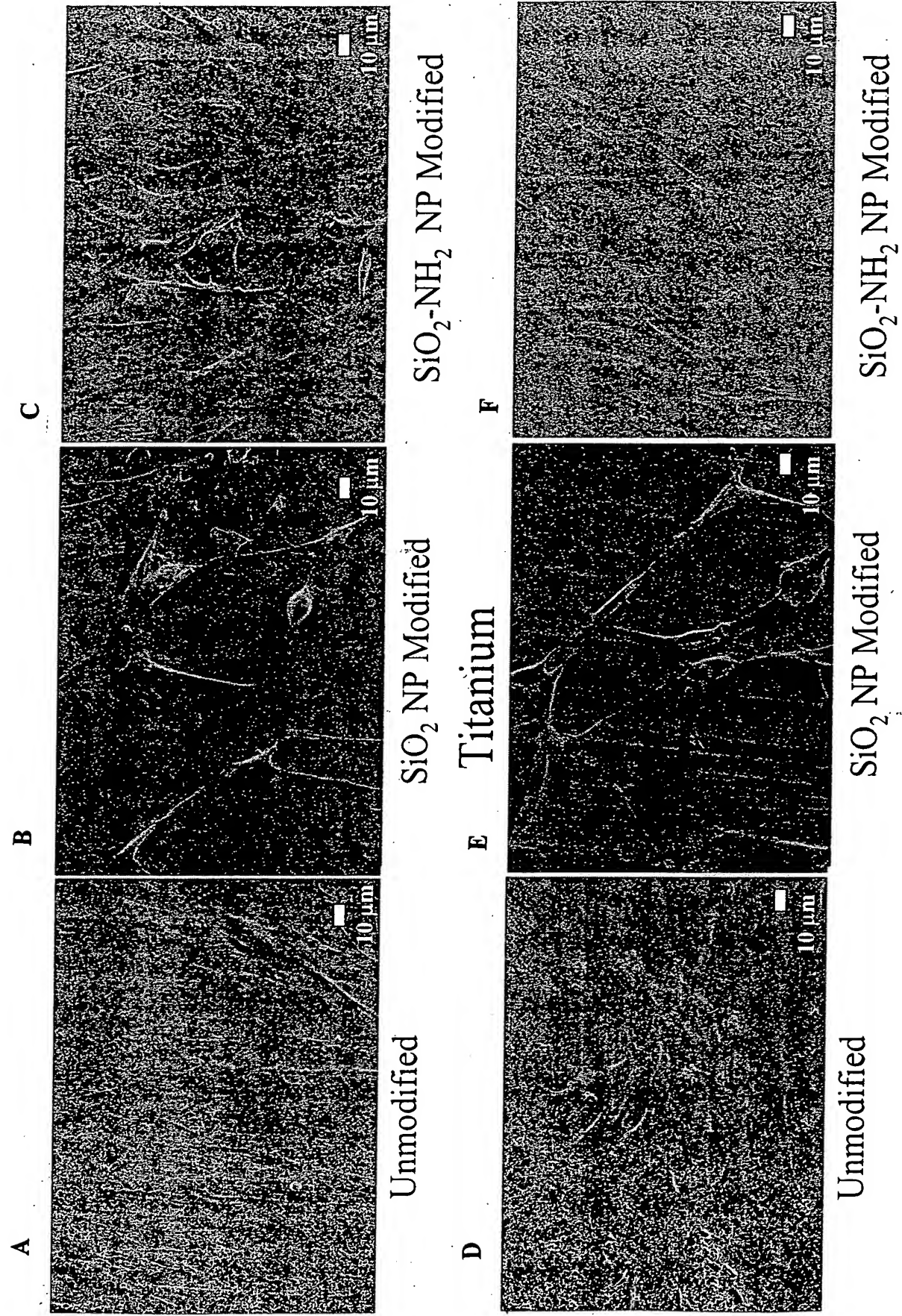




FIG.6

Functional Group Quantification on Modified Metal Surfaces

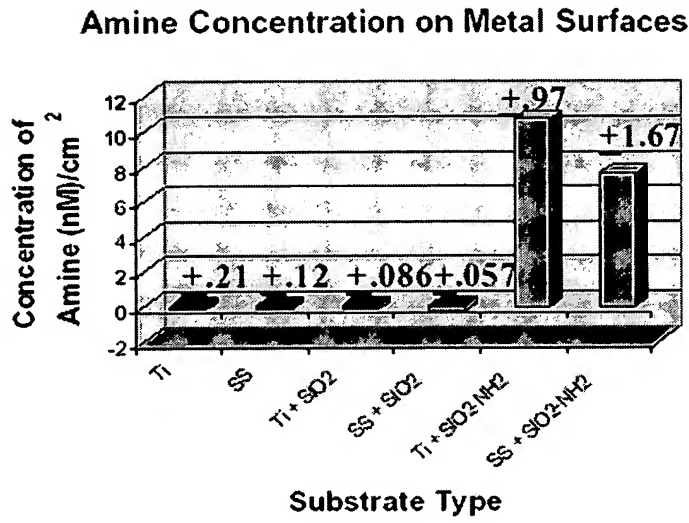
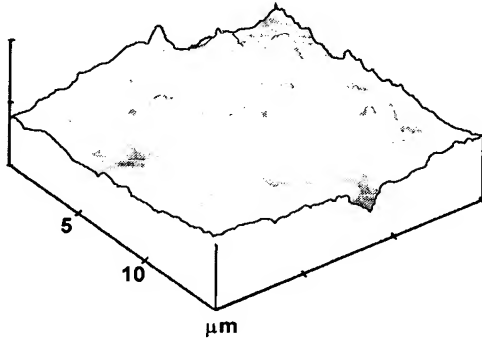


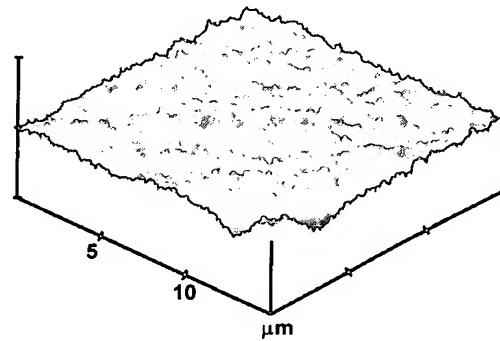


FIG. 7

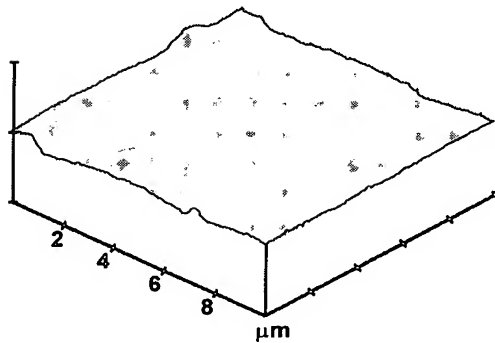
Atomic Force Microscope Images of Metal and Polymer Surfaces Modified Using Functionalized Silica Nano-particles (FSNP)



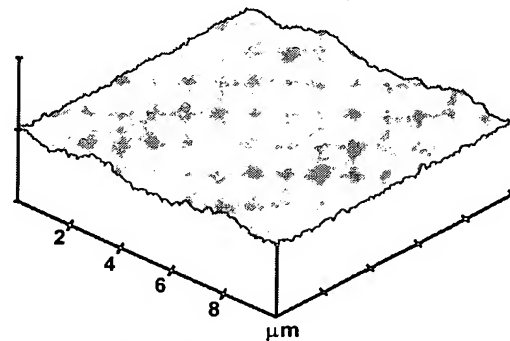
Titanium



Titanium + FSNP



Polyurethane



Polyurethane + FSNP



Fluorescent Images of DAPI (nuclear stain) Stained MC3T3-E1 cells on
Polyurethane (PU) Surfaces



Polyurethane (PU) PU + SiO₂ Nanoparticle PU + FSNP

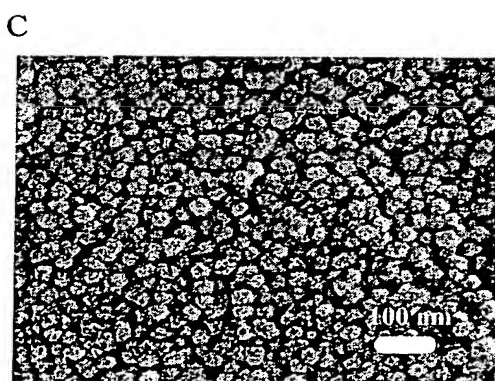
FIG. 9. Characterization of FSNP Modified Surface Using Scanning Electron
Microscopy. (Non-limiting example)



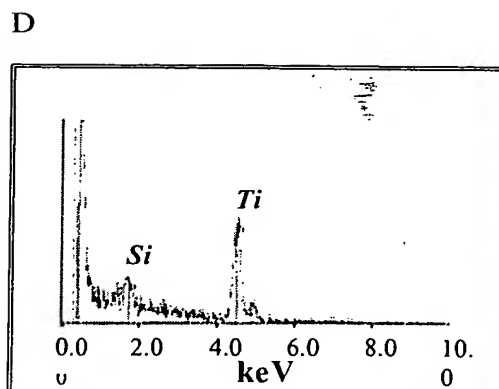
Titanium



Titanium Coated with FSNP



FSNP on Titanium Surface



EDAX Spectrum